



Richard M. Milanovich's

lengthy service on the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians Tribal Council started as a Member in 1978. He served as Secretary from 1982 until 1984 when he was elected as Tribal Council Chairman. He served as chairman for 29 years.

Many important Tribal and community projects and lease hold interests were undertaken during

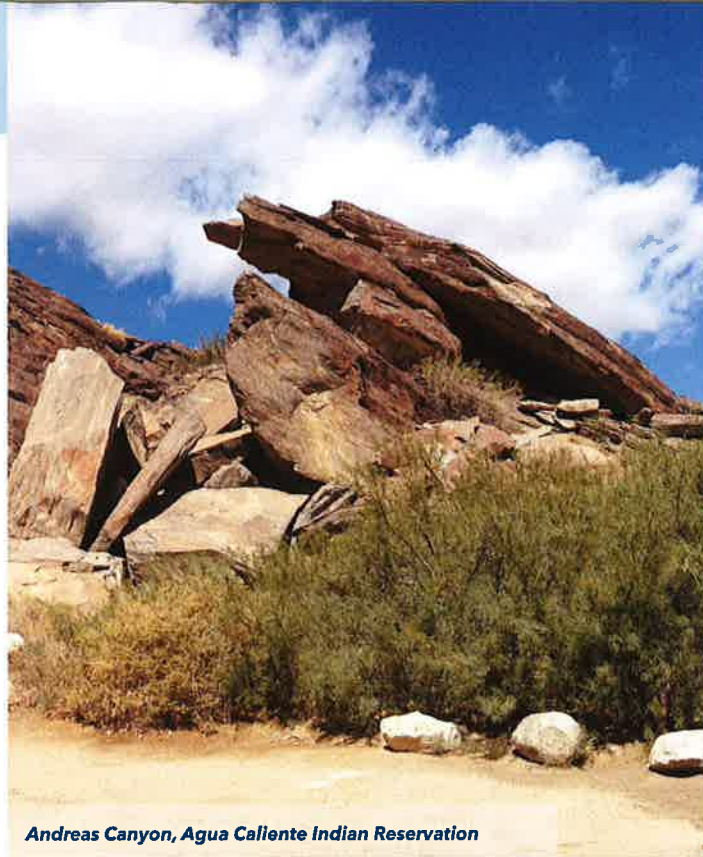
Mr. Milanovich's tenure including the purchase of the Spa Hotel in 1992, the addition of the Spa Resort Casino in 1995, development and construction of the Agua Caliente Casino in 2001, as well as the opening of the new \$90 million Spa Resort Casino in 2003 and the Spa Hotel's Well Spirit Center Fitness Center in 2004. These projects and enterprises brought a much-needed boost to the Palm Springs and Coachella Valley economy, but more important to the Tribe itself, the revenue generated by Tribal developments has allowed the Tribe to develop self-sufficiency through education, cultural preservation, housing and health care programs.

He also oversaw the construction and opening of the Agua Caliente Casino Resort Spa's new hotel and expansion in 2008, followed by the completion of the Tribe's entertainment venue, The Show, in February of 2009.

In addition to his duties as Tribal Chairman, Mr. Milanovich dedicated his time and energy to other worthy causes. He served as the Chairman of the Advisory Committee to the Office of Special Trustee for the U.S. Department of Interior, which oversees the federal government's fiduciary responsibilities to manage Tribal trust funds. In 2004, he was appointed to the Native American Stewardship Committee for the prestigious Autry National Center. In addition, Mr. Milanovich served as a member of the Bureau of Land Management's California Desert Advisory Council, and the Native American Heritage Commission.

Mr. Milanovich served in the United States Army from 1960 to 1963. In 1994, Mr. Milanovich returned to school to fulfill a life-long ambition to secure his college degree and received a Bachelor of Science in Business and Management from the University of Redlands in 1996.

His son Reid D. Milanovich serves on the Agua Caliente Tribal Council and is in his second term.



Andreas Canyon, Agua Caliente Indian Reservation

The Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians is a federally recognized Indian Tribe located in Palm Springs, California, with 32,000 acres of reservation lands that spread across Palm Springs, Cathedral City, Rancho Mirage and into the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto mountains. For more information about the Tribe, visit www.aguacaliente-nsn.gov.



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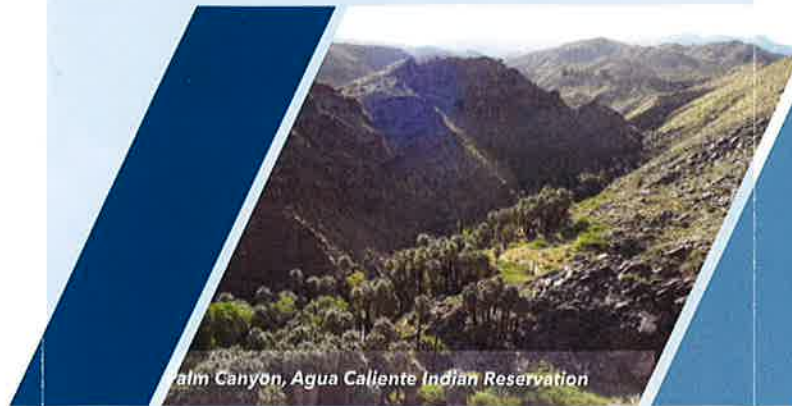


The Richard M. Milanovich

Fellowship began in 2015 as a partnership between The George Washington University and the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians with two goals in mind: to prepare the next generation of leaders in Indian Country and to honor and preserve the legacy of service and leadership of the late Tribal Chairman Richard M. Milanovich. The George Washington University and the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians invite qualified Native American applicants to apply for this prestigious opportunity at one of our Nation's premier universities.



Tahquitz Falls, Agua Caliente Indian Reservation



Malpais Canyon, Agua Caliente Indian Reservation



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